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Michael R. Anastasio, left, was named the next director of LLNL. Currently deputy director for Strategic Operations, he will replace Director Bruce Tarter effective July 1.

## UC Regents Select Anastasio As New Laboratory Director

**D**r. Michael Anastasio, currently deputy director for strategic operations at LLNL, has been chosen to succeed C. Bruce Tarter as Laboratory Director. Dr. Anastasio is a nationally recognized research scientist and leader in the national Stockpile Stewardship Program. He has also served as a scientific adviser at the Department of Energy.

"This was a very competitive search, with many fine candidates," said UC President Richard C. Atkinson. "Mike Anastasio emerged as the right person for this very important position."



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"I am honored to accept this appointment", said Anastasio. "I have spent nearly 22 years at Livermore and I feel enormous pride in this institution and the people who work here."

Anastasio began his career at the Laboratory in 1980 as a physicist in B-Division, a nuclear weapons design physics division. He later led that division before becoming associate director for Defense and Nuclear Technologies. As deputy director for the past year he has been responsible for all Laboratory and national security operations. Dr. Anastasio will be the Laboratory's ninth Director, and his tenure will begin on July 1. He and his wife, Ann, are long-time Livermore residents.

For more on Anastasio's selection go to <http://www.llnl.gov/llnl/06news/NewsReleases/2002/NR-02-director.html>

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## New Homeland Security Proposal

President George Bush has proposed the formation of a new cabinet-level agency, the Department of Homeland Security. This new department would envelop all or parts of a number of existing federal agencies and facilities, with a focus on domestic defense. LLNL has been prominently mentioned in news reports as a facility that would be affected by this proposal. Below is Director Bruce Tarter's statement last week in response to President Bush's announcement:

"Our Lab has been cited in a number of media stories today relative to President Bush's proposal to create a new Homeland Security cabinet-level agency. We have not yet received any official details on this proposal.

"Over the past few years, our Lab and our sister NNSA laboratories have played important roles in the war on terrorism, and we look forward to enhancing our future contributions to this cause. At the same time, we remain committed to executing our core responsibilities of Stockpile Stewardship and our other federal programs. We will continue to strongly support the president and the country in all of these critical national security areas."

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## East Avenue Access Changes Being Sought

In an effort to enhance laboratory security since the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, Lawrence Livermore and Sandia national laboratories have been working with Alameda County to seek an orderly transfer of control of East Avenue between Greenville and S. Vasco roads to the laboratories. Last month, the Alameda County Planning Commission reviewed the proposal, and the matter is expected to go before the county Board of Supervisors at a July 9 public hearing.

"This move would significantly enhance the security of our people, our facilities and our surrounding neighbors," said Den Fisher, LLNL associate director of Safety, Security and Environmental Protection.

If you have any questions on this transfer, please contact LLNL Community Relations Manager Barry Schrader at 925-423-3567.

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## New Laboratory Chief Information Officer

Kenneth Neves, former director of computer science research at the Boeing Company, has been selected to serve as the first full-time Chief Information Officer (CIO) for the Laboratory. Neves, a computer and information technology expert, will take his new post in late June. He will work in the Laboratory's Computation Directorate.

"I am looking forward to helping the Laboratory's directorates with the wide range of information management challenges they face in supporting mission-oriented research programs," said Neves.



**Kenneth Neves**

The CIO position, created by Director Bruce Tarter in 1996, was originally held by David Cooper, who served as both CIO and Computation Directorate associate director until 2001. His successor, Ted Michels, has also served a dual role

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as acting CIO and principal deputy associate director in the Computation Directorate.

For more on Neve's selection go to <http://www.llnl.gov/llnl/06news/NewsReleases/2002/NR-02-05-02.html>

## TECHNOLOGY

workshops for educators

### Summer Workshops for Teachers, Students

Teachers and high school students can take advantage of free science and technology workshops offered this summer by the Laboratory's Science & Technology Education Program and the University of California's Edward Teller Education Center.

A Technology Workshop for educators, a Teacher Research Academy, and a Student Research Academy are three programs available in July. Each program will emphasize skill development, and will involve "hands-on" learning activities. Applications are now available at <http://education.llnl.gov>. For more information go to <http://www.llnl.gov/llnl/06news/NewsReleases/2002/NR-02-04-05.html>

### Houghton Appointed Acting Director of Laboratory Public Affairs Office

Susan Houghton, formerly Deputy Director of the Public Affairs Office, has been chosen to serve as Acting Director of Public Affairs by Administration Directorate associate director Janet Tulk.

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Houghton first joined the Laboratory as Senior Media Relations Manager in 1999.

In 2001, she became Deputy Director under Interim Director David Leary. Leary recently took on a new appointment as department head for the newly-formed Technical Information and Business Services Department.

Susan Houghton was recently named acting director of Public Affairs.

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## Come Tour With Us

The Laboratory's Public Affairs Office is now offering a new, expanded tour of the Laboratory that includes stops at the Biology & Biotechnology Research Program, the National Atmospheric Release Center and the Accelerated Strategic Computing building.

The two-hour tour is offered Tuesdays and Thursdays starting at 10:00 a.m. Participants must register in advance. Special tours can also be arranged for groups of eight or more with two weeks' advance notice. All tours are free. For more information on the new tour program go to [www.llnl.gov/pao](http://www.llnl.gov/pao).



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## Revisit 'Back to Nature, Down to Earth'

On May 18 the Public Affairs Office hosted "Back to Nature, Down to Earth" at the Laboratory's Visitors Center. Among the exhibits enjoyed by community members of all ages were a wildlife display by the Lindsay Wildlife

## We Want Your Ideas

Your ideas on how we can improve this newsletter, or our Laboratory programs, are welcomed.

Please forward any comments or questions you may have to Scott Wilson (925) 423-3125, [wilson101@llnl.gov](mailto:wilson101@llnl.gov).



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Both grownups and children enjoyed themselves at the Lab's recent "Back to Nature, Down to Earth" day at the Visitors Center.

Museum, the Laboratory's Fun With Science program, interactive LEGO™ robots, an environmental diorama display demonstrating pollution effects, and the Laboratory's "Energy Bike". For a pictorial look back at this fun-filled event go to [http://www.llnl.gov/llnl/06news/Community/nature\\_expo.html](http://www.llnl.gov/llnl/06news/Community/nature_expo.html)

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## Laboratory 'Contributing To A Better Community'

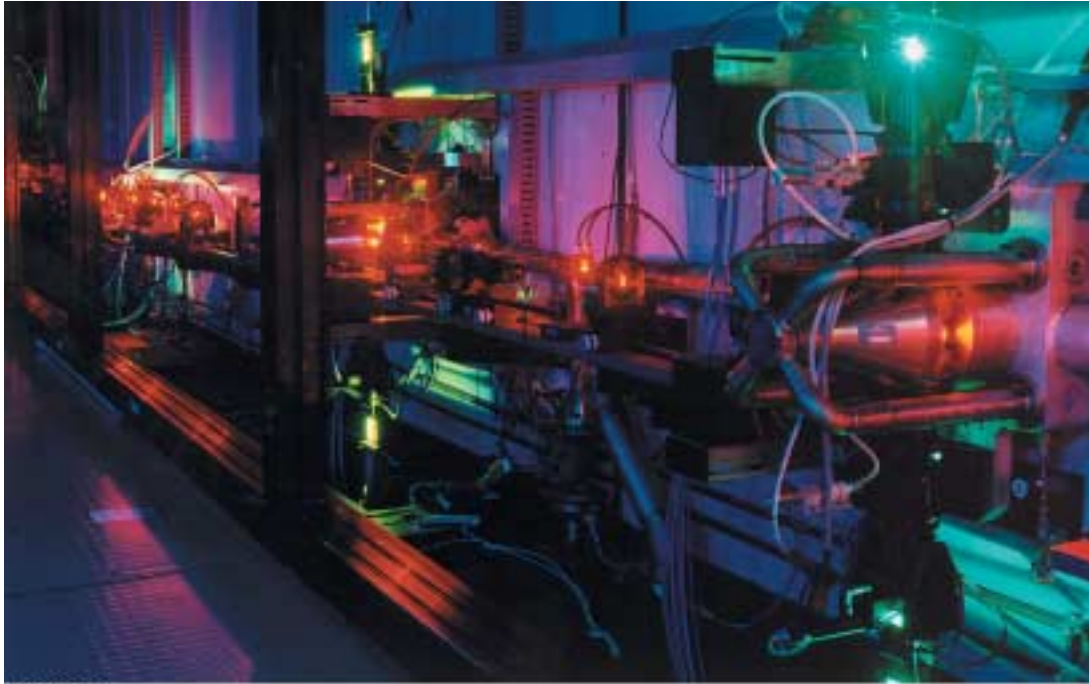
A new Laboratory publication, entitled *Contributing to a Better Community*, is now in print. This 25-page publication describes the Laboratory's many and varied interactions with the surrounding communities. It is available at the Laboratory's Community Relations Webpage <http://www.llnl.gov/llnl/06news/community.html>, in .pdf format at <http://www.llnl.gov/llnl/06news/handouts/Communit.pdf>, or in hard copy at the Public Affairs Office. If you have any questions about this publication, please feel free to contact the Public Affairs Office at 925-423-3125.

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1973 was the year of industrial-scale applications for lasers. The AVLIS laser (above) was created to provide a clean, efficient process for producing the fuel for nuclear power plants.

## Laboratory 50th Anniversary Website

A new Website featuring a comprehensive timeline of the Laboratory's history is now available online. The timeline, arranged by decade, includes a variety of pictures, stories, news articles and quicktime movies on the people and events that have shaped the Laboratory over the past half-century. To view this fact-filled Website go to [www.llnl.gov/timeline](http://www.llnl.gov/timeline).

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## “Technology Today”

“Technology Today,” a television program designed to help inform our neighbors about activities at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, airs each Monday evening at 8:30 on the Tri-Valley's community television sta-





tion, Channel 30. If you have a topic that you'd like to see discussed on "Technology Today," please call (925) 424-4822.

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## Recent Headlines

You may be interested in these recent articles from the Laboratory's weekly newspaper, Newsline. These stories can be viewed by visiting the Public Affairs Website at <http://www.llnl.gov/llnl/06news/Employee/2001index.html>. Call or e-mail us if you would like more information.

- NASA sheds light on star search (May 3, 2002)
- Boeing computer expert Kenneth Neves selected as Lab's first full-time CIO (May 3, 2002)
- Claire Max joins noteworthy list of AAAS fellows (May 3, 2002)
- Technology thriving in Tri-Valley (May 10, 2002)
- JGI to provide defense against disease organisms (May 10, 2002)
- Rep. Hunter uses Lab's research for plan to transfer water to replenish Salton Sea (May 10, 2002)
- Andresen honored for work on Glendale murder case (May 17, 2002)
- Laboratory DNA work finds multiple applications (May 24, 2002)
- Atmospheric release prediction capability LINCS with Seattle (May 24, 2002)
- Tower of power for Site 300 (May 31, 2002)
- More companies join Lab technology center (May 31, 2002)

